

**MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
EDINA CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT CITY HALL
NOVEMBER 17, 1997 - 7:00 P.M.**

ROLLCALL Answering rollcall were Members Hovland, Kelly, Maetzold and Mayor Smith.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED Motion made by Member Maetzold and seconded by Member Kelly to approve and adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Hovland, Kelly, Maetzold, Smith

Motion carried.

***MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 3, 1997, APPROVED** Motion made by Member Maetzold and seconded by Member Kelly approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 3, 1997.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - four ayes.

LIQUOR STORE MANAGER RECOGNIZED Mayor Smith recognized Steve Grausam, Edina Liquor Store Manager, for the efforts he and his staff as volunteers have contributed to the Edina Art Center. For several years, Steve and his staff of volunteers have sold soft drinks during the Edina Art Fair benefiting the Art Center. Manager Rosland presented Mr. Grausam with an Edina pen in recognition of his extraordinary efforts.

CHEMICAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK PROCLAIMED Mayor Smith presented Kathy Iverson, Chemical Health Coordinator for the City of Edina, with a Proclamation declaring the week of November 17 - 23, 1997, as Minnesota Chemical Health Week throughout the City of Edina. Ms. Iverson presented red ribbons to the Council depicting the commitment of efforts to reduce demand for alcohol and other drugs in our community.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 6, LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD Mayor Smith welcomed Boy Scout Troop 6 from Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd and their leaders who are working on their Citizenship in the Community badges.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT LEVIED TREE TRIMMING PROJECT #TT-98 Affidavits of Notice were presented, approved and ordered placed on file. Due notice having been given, a public hearing was conducted.

Park and Recreation Director Keprios explained the tree trimming program is an ongoing program in Edina whereby trees are trimmed to provide clearance over the street to 16 feet in height, dead wood is removed, and moderate crown thinning is accomplished. Edina is divided into sections, and approximately every six years trimming is done within each section.

Director Keprios noted the area proposed for trimming in 1998 is Section 1. This section is bounded by France Avenue to the east, 54th Street to the south, Highway 100 to the west and the City limits within the previously described boundaries to the north.

The City Forester recommends trimming 1,010 out of the 1,886 boulevard trees in Section 1. Of the trees recommended for trimming, 918 are on private property and 92 are on City-owned property. The cost of trimming the trees is determined by the trees' diameter at breast height (DBH) which is

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considered to be four feet above the ground. Using this as a guide, approximately 483 trees are larger than 12 inches in diameter, and 435 are less than 12 inches in diameter. The estimated cost per homeowner is \$60 per tree trimmed. Homeowners are given an opportunity to trim their own trees before the City contractor begins work.

Member Maetzold questioned whether the City pays sales tax on other improvement projects. Staff explained the City pays sales tax on all purchases of goods and service.

Member Hovland asked if the City has a plan to control Dutch Elm. Manager Rosland explained that over the years a variety of treatment methods have been used. Sanitization seems to work best.

Public Comment

William Orr, 4920 Arden Avenue, explained he lives on a corner lot at Arden Avenue and 50th Street. Mr. Orr is not anxious to pay assessments for trimming trees on both Arden Avenue and 50th Street. He asked that he only be required to pay for tree trimming on one street, noting this is how street or sidewalk assessments are handled.

Ann Macieg, 4630 Bruce Avenue, stated she has lived on Bruce for 25 years. MS. Macieg believes treating the trees has helped immensely over the years. Ms. Macieg is very concerned about the cleanliness of the trees and urged that proper trimming be done. She asked that young trees be included in the trimming process.

Manager Rosland noted the City Forester is on the lookout for diseased elms; however, citizens are urged to call if they suspect a diseased tree. The City will send the Forester to inspect the tree.

Member Maetzold asked about the City's policy of assessing corner properties for all their trees. Manager Rosland explained the project is an area improvement; therefore, each lot is assessed for all trees on public boulevards. Mayor Smith added trees benefit individual home owners' property exclusively, while streets and sidewalks are used by the general public.

Member Hovland introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION ORDERING TREE TRIMMING IMPROVEMENT NO. TT-98

WHEREAS, the Edina City Council on the third of November, 1997, fixed a date for a council hearing on the proposed tree trimming Improvement No. TT-98 and

WHEREAS, ten days' mailed notice and two weeks' published notice of the hearing were given, and the hearing was held thereon on the 17th of November 1997, for Improvement No. TT-98 Tree Trimming.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council has duly considered the views of all persons interested, and being fully advised of the pertinent facts, does hereby determine to proceed with said improvement, including all proceedings which may be necessary in eminent domain for the acquisition of necessary easements and rights hereby designated and shall be referred to in all subsequent proceedings as Improvement No. TT-98 Tree Trimming.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Improvement No. TT-98 Tree Trimming is hereby ordered. Member Kelly seconded the motion.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Hovland, Kelly, Maetzold, Smith

Resolution adopted.

PRELIMINARY REZONING, R-1, SINGLE DWELLING UNIT DISTRICT TO PSR-4 PLANNED RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, OPUS, NATIONAL

LLC AND KARRINGTON HEALTH, INC., 7128 FRANCE AVENUE SOUTH Affidavits of Notice were presented, approved and ordered placed on file.

Presentation by Planner

Planner Larsen explained the City has received a redevelopment request from Opus, National LLC and Karrington Health Inc. for the site of the former Lutheran Church of the Master. The subject property is 4.18 acres in area and developed as a church. The church ceased operating during the summer of 1997. The proposed rezoning would allow redevelopment of the site as a senior citizen assisted living residence. The proposed development would also require amending the City's Comprehensive Plan use designation for the site from Single Family Residential to Multi-family Residential.

The proposed rezoning would allow development of the site with a three-story assisted living senior citizens residence containing 93 units. Planner Larsen reviewed the proposal relative to Edina's Zoning Code as follows:

- Density: PSR-4 District requires an area of 1,500 square feet per dwelling unit. The proposed 93 unit building would provide 1,957 square feet per unit.
- Building Setbacks: PSR-4 District building setbacks are 35 feet or the height of the building from all property lines. The proposed building is 40 feet 10 inches with proposed setbacks of between 70 and 130 feet.
- Surface parking: Accessed from Hazelton Road only for approximately 55 spaces which would adequately handle traffic. Based on other operations of the proponent, their peak parking demand will be during the day shift with 28 staff on site.
- Landscaping Plans (not required for Preliminary Approvals): proposes to retain as many France Avenue trees as possible. Emphasis will be placed on screening the west side of the site.

Planner Larsen compared the Walker Elder Suites to the proposal:

	<u>Walker</u>	<u>Karrington</u>
Area	1.87 acres	4.18 acres
No. Units	72	93
Heights	40 feet halfway up to peak	40 feet 10 inches
Lot Coverage	22%	12%
Parking	37	55

Planner Larsen noted the proponent revised the site plan after the Planning Commission review as follows:

- The building was moved east and south to minimum setback,
- Parking slightly rearranged,
- Pond moved from the south side to the site low point on the north west corner,
- Additional emphasis placed on the berm west and north west portion of side.

Mayor Smith asked the height of the berm on the west side of the site and whether this proposal would require a Developers Agreement. Planner Larsen responded that a Developers Agreement would govern the development.

Member Kelly asked why the pond had been relocated in the revised plan. Planner Larsen replied the new location on the northwest corner is the lowest point on the site.

Member Maetzold asked what was meant in the Planning Commission minutes when it stated if the proposed building height was reduced the project would loose its residential feel. Planner Larsen

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said there had been discussion about lowering the base elevation or having two stories. Two stories would result in 50% more ground cover making parking crowded and leaving less open space. He added that single family homes are allowed to have a maximum height of 30 feet measured at the mid-point between the roof peak and eaves.

Member Maetzold asked how parking would be kept out of the oval drive in front of the building. Planner Larsen explained that due to the width of the oval, parking would be allowed within it.

Member Hovland asked if the berm is planned to rise 4-5 feet above the parking lot grade or the adjacent land, if the west side of the pond will have 4-5 foot banks, whether homes exist the entire length of Lynmar Lane adjacent to the site, has any work been done to ensure lighting from the parking lot does not wash into the residential homes and whether watershed approval has been obtained yet.

Mayor Smith expressed concern that necessary drainage be provided considering the additional hard surface being created.

Planner Larsen introduced Julie Kimble of Opus to respond to Council's questions.

Julie Kimble, Opus, explained they are partnering with Karrington Health Inc. She introduced Mike Concilla of Karrington Health, Inc. Ms. Kimble explained the new pond location was based on the natural topography of the site. The new location also reduced the retaining wall. The developer has been working with the Lynmar Lane residents regarding the berm and landscaping. Ms. Kimble noted the berm is undulating and the landscaping should screen the west side of the pond.

Mike Concilla, Karrington Health Inc., noted the lights proposed are hooded on the back and are residential in nature. The light bulbs are not high pressure sodium, but are a lower intensity light.

Mayor Smith stated the pond at its typical low state should be attractive and be designed with an adequate bounce to hand all storm water. In addition, the trash/service area should be reconfigured to provide additional screening and more noise buffering.

Member Kelly said he believes the proposed screening on Lynmar Lane should extend the entire length of the site, and he wants to see impact on the single family homes minimized. In addition, he expressed concern regarding the safety of the pond at its proposed location and questioned the aesthetic integrity of the site plan.

Julie Kimble, Opus, responded that pond's proposed location takes advantage of the low point of the site, and that the pond is required for storm water management. She added the developer had been informed the neighborhood children walk on the 72nd Street side of the site; so, moving the pond to the northwest corner seemed appropriate.

Member Maetzold questioned the outside mechanical systems' location.

Mike Concilla, Karrington Health, Inc., explained the exterior mechanical systems are screened behind the roof facade on top of the building. Mr. Concilla added Karrington operates 24 assisted living facilities currently, has 20 under construction and an additional 18 in the planning process. He explained the building design affords each wing to contain a different neighborhood. Each neighborhood will contain common areas for beauty parlor, craft areas, outdoor areas, dining facilities, etc. The proposed building will have 93 units with 111 beds, allowing shared rooms for married couples or others. Mr. Concilla noted there are no kitchen facilities in the rooms. Residents

may need help bathing, dressing or eating. The average resident is an 83-year old female needing minimal assistance. One wing will be reserved for Alzheimer's patients.

Member Maetzold asked about security of the Alzheimer's patients because of the proximity to France Avenue. Mr. Concilla explained the Alzheimer's wing has locked doors with keypad exits and patients wear bracelets.

Member Hovland urged that coniferous trees be included in the landscaping plan and expressed concern about the adequacy of the parking, especially during holidays when residents may receive many visitors. Mr. Concilla responded in his experience the proposed parking should be more than adequate.

Public Comment

Mark Sullivan, 7128 Lynmar Lane, lives west of the Lutheran Church of the Master site. Mr. Sullivan bought his home eight years ago believing he would live forever next door to a church. He stated he is representing the Cornelia neighborhood, and they prefer the present proposal over the office development that previously was suggested for the site. Mr. Sullivan noted that Opus has returned phone calls, held neighborhood meetings and is working with the neighborhood to alleviate concern. He added the neighborhood is almost ready to support the proposal but have the following concerns:

1. The 40 feet 10 inch building height,
2. Limits must be placed on the site not allowing any future expansion, with either additional wings or floors,
3. Increase the easement to the single family property adjoining the site to limit impact on the homes,
4. Assurance that the berm will be satisfactorily landscaped,
5. Ensure protection from lights washing into the residential homes,

Mr. Sullivan added the developers' tight time schedule should not become either the neighborhood's or City's problem. He expressed concern that final approval not be granted until all parties are satisfied.

Pat Evans, 7111 Heatherton Trail, voiced concern regarding the proposed pond and the many children in the area. The pond will become a very attractive nuisance. Ms. Evans requested the pond be relocated. She also requested that care be taken the pond does not become a stagnate place to breed mosquitoes.

Diane Martin, 7112 Bristol Boulevard, added her concern regarding safety and noted the corner of Lynmar and Hazelton currently becomes inundated with water. Ms. Martin worried about the impact of additional water and a pond in this area.

Kathy Campbell, 7201 Bristol Circle, reiterated concern about the pond's proposed location and the safety issue of the pond. Ms. Campbell also noted concern relative to the amount of traffic on the corner of Hazelton and France. Ms. Campbell cautioned approval of the proposal because she believes the proposal has too many missing pieces. She suggested redesigning the building.

Rick Adair, 7120 Lynmar Lane, reported the neighbors have not achieved a consensus for the pond's location. He stated he would prefer to see the building site further east to lessen its impact on the neighborhood.

Council Discussion/Action

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Mayor Smith noted the neighbors' request for a conservation restriction along Lynmar Lane, problems with the pond location and design, and desire that the service area be moved nearer to France Avenue.

Member Maetzold expressed concern over the proposed height of the structure.

Member Kelly stated he believes the proposed pond design is not very creative and is a safety concern. Member Kelly suggested Opus rework the pond area and turn it into an aesthetically pleasing amenity for the site.

Julie Kimble thanked the Council and neighbors for their comments. She stated the "no-build" easement would not be a problem. Mr. Kimble reminded this is a concept plan, that neighbors still have input and the plan will be refined before it is finalized.

Member Hovland complimented the developer for the quality of the proposed project. The City wants the best outcome for the neighbors and the developers. He asked if the Council moves ahead with preliminary approval can the City procedurally require the developers to come back with detailed plans.

Planner Larsen explained the preliminary plan is more detailed than required by Edina's ordinance. Planner Larsen listed the following issues to be resolved before final approvals:

- Conservation restriction on west side of site,
- Height of berm
- Pond location, safety and aesthetics
- Traffic safety
- Location and screening of service area
- Lighting

Member Maetzold indicated his support of the proposed development observing the property is going to be redeveloped. This use compliments the residential neighborhood adjacent to the property.

Member Hovland agreed with moving forward with preliminary approvals as long as the safety issues can be addressed before final zoning is granted.

Member Kelly stated his reluctance to grant rezoning until the issues are resolved satisfactorily. He added that the developer can obtain options and, if necessary, deadlines can be changed. Member Kelly asked how the previously mentioned issues relate to granting preliminary approvals of the project and does granting preliminary approval weaken or change the City's position relative to granting final rezoning.

Planner Larsen replied the plan needs to be refined addressing the issues previously outlined to the City Council's satisfaction. At final zoning, the Council decides if the issues have ultimately been addressed.

Attorney Gilligan explained that relative to the rezoning, granting preliminary approval does not encumber the Council in their deliberations of final rezoning. However, denial at this point would require the applicant to wait one year before resubmitting a proposal.

Member Hovland introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption conditioned upon final rezoning and final plat approval:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EDINA CITY COUNCIL that preliminary approval be granted amending the Comprehensive Plan showing 7128 France Avenue South as Multi-Family Residential. Member Maetzold seconded the motion.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Hovland, Kelly, Maetzold, Smith

Resolution adopted.

Member Hovland made a motion granting first reading to Ordinance No. 850-A13 rezoning the property located at 7128 France Avenue from Single Dwelling Zoning District to PSR-4, Planned Senior Residence, conditioned upon satisfactory resolution of the issues identified by Council and citizens, final rezoning, and final plat approval. Member Maetzold seconded the motion.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Hovland, Kelly, Maetzold, Smith

Motion carried.

FIRST READING GRANTED FOR ORDINANCE NO. 1997-14, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EDINA CODE SECTION 1230 AND 900 AND MODIFYING CITY POLICY REGARDING THE CONSUMPTION OF 3.2% MALT LIQUOR AT CERTAIN CITY PARKS AND FACILITIES

Assistant Manager Hughes reminded that on November 3, 1997, the subject ordinance which regulates consumption and sale of various alcoholic beverages at City-owned facilities was before the Council. Staff, following Council's direction, presented the revised ordinance reflecting more clearly where certain beverages may be consumed or sold.

Member Kelly made a motion granting first reading for Ordinance No. 1997-14, An Ordinance Amending Edina Code Section 1230 and 900 and Modifying City Policy Regarding the Consumption of 3.2% Malt Liquor at Certain City Parks and Facilities. Member Hovland seconded the motion.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Hovland, Kelly, Smith

Nays: Maetzold

First Reading Granted.

FIRST READING GRANTED FOR ORDINANCE NO. 1997-17, AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SALE AND USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS

Sanitarian Velde explained the Minnesota Legislature passed a law during the 1997 session requiring licensing of retail tobacco sales, mandating annual compliance checks of licensed facilities, establishes minimum penalties through an administrative penalty system and requiring alternative penalties for minors who violate the law. State law places restrictions on self-service merchandising and sales of tobacco products through vending machines.

Presently, Code Section 1325 addresses self-service merchandising and sales through vending machines. Section 1325, however, does not mandate compliance checks, did not provide an administrative penalty system with fines and does not address alternative penalties for minors.

Sanitation Velde presented overheads of proposed Section 1326 which addressed State law as follows:

DEFINITIONS:

- Tobacco or Tobacco Related Products
Cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco and other forms of tobacco leaf suitable for chewing, sniffing or smoking
- Tobacco Related Devices

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Pipes, rolling papers, etc., which enable the chewing, sniffing or smoking of tobacco or tobacco related products

SELF SERVICE MERCHANDISING PROHIBITED EXCEPT:

- Where minors are prohibited from entering the establishment, and
- Signs posted at entrances and, either
 - Tobacco and related products sales are at least 90% of their revenues, or
 - Self service limited to cigars/cigar products

COMPLIANCE CHECKS:

- At least annually
- Minor between 15 and 17 years of age
- Supervised by an authorized City official

VIOLATIONS:

- Appeals of violations will be heard
- City Council may appoint a Hearing Officer to serve at their pleasure
- Hearing Officer findings may be appealed to District Court

PENALTIES:

- Licensee: First violation \$ 75.00
 Second violation \$200.00
 Third violation \$250.00 plus automatic 7-day license suspension
- Other individuals: \$ 50.00 per offense
- Minors \$25.00 per offense; alternative penalties to be presented to City Council for adoption at a later date

Following a brief discussion, Council consensus was to 'fine-tune' items: 1) include artificial/synthetic tobacco products; 2) increase penalties and address the fourth violation; and 3) increase penalty for minors to \$75.00.

Member Maetzold made a motion granting First Reading to Ordinance No. 1997-17, An Ordinance Repealing Section 1325 of the City Code and Replacing It With a New Section 1326 for the Purpose of Regulating the Sale and Use of Tobacco Products.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Hovland, Kelly, Maetzold, Smith

First Reading Granted.

***BID AWARDED FOR 1998 REFUSE COLLECTION FOR CITY PROPERTIES** Motion made by Member Maetzold and seconded by Member Kelly for award of bid for refuse and recycling pick-up for 1998 to recommended low bidder, Aspen Waste Systems, Inc., at \$20,965.20.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - four ayes.

***TWO DUMP TRUCK BOXES WITH SNOW REMOVAL ATTACHMENTS** Motion made by Member Maetzold and seconded by Member Kelly for award of bid for two dump truck boxes with snow removal attachments to J. Craft through Minnesota Contract 2006106 at \$100,279.77.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - four ayes.

TRAFFIC SAFETY STAFF REPORT OF NOVEMBER 4, 1997, APPROVED; TRAFFIC DIRECTION REVERSED ON EDGEBROOK PLACE AND STOP SIGN INSTALLED ON SOUTH INTERSECTION OF BROWDALE AVENUE AND EDGEBROOK PLACE Member Hovland made a motion approving the Traffic Safety Staff Review of November 4, 1997, as recommended in Section A:

1. Extension of speed enforcement and use of speed display monitor trailer for educational purposes on West 54th Street between France Avenue and Minnehaha Boulevard and also the 5200-5300 block of Halifax Avenue;
2. Police Department enforcement of speed on West Shore Drive between West 70th Street and Hibiscus and utilization of speed-display monitor trailer, assigned for educational purposes;
3. Construction of pathway between the parking lot and the non-existing crosswalk. Since most of this involves City right-of-way, construction would be completed by the City. The construction would give those using the north parking lot with easy access to the crosswalk;
4. Additional signage be added to enhance crosswalks both at West 66th Street and West Shore and at West 66th Street and Cornelia. Signs should be placed to warn approaching drivers they must STOP for pedestrians in the crosswalk. Rather than international-type signs, they would have their message in English letter form and would be used on an experimental basis and would be evaluated for a period of time to determine their effect on traffic; and

Section B: 1, 2, 3, and 4, and Section C. Member Kelly seconded the motion.

Ayes: Hovland, Kelly, Maetzold, Smith

Motion carried.

Traffic Safety Coordinator Bongaarts informed the Council that residents of Edgebrook Place were present to voice their concerns with changing the direction of the one-way on Edgebrook Place. A petition was received from 11 of 15 residents bordering on Edgebrook Place.

Coordinator Bongaarts explained that backing out onto Edgebrook (south-to-north traffic flow) should flow smoothly with the exceptions of 4632, 4634, & 4638. The angle of approach onto Edgebrook from these three driveways is less than 90 degrees. However, the current no-parking on the east side of Edgebrook should allow vehicles to navigate backing onto Edgebrook. Traffic counts on Edgebrook Place show 143 vehicles per day (11 per household per day). Coordinator Bongaarts shared excerpts from the Edina Country Club Neighborhood Traffic Study done by Strgar-Roscoe-Fausch, Inc. completed in July 1993, as follows:

- Sight distance problems due to the crest of the hill north of south intersection of Edgebrook Place and Browndale Road
- Heavily-used bus stop at the north intersection
- All-way stop control at north intersection should exist only if northbound one-way operation is maintained

Upon review and discussion, staff recommended denial of the request.

Resident Comment

Ted Adams, 4618 Edgebrook Place, asked that traffic flow be returned to its original direction. He noted there are four STOP signs within a five-block area and believed eliminating the sign at Edgebrook Place and Browndale is all right.

Richard May, 4632 Browndale Avenue, submitted a presentation and a petition which stated the belief that Edgebrook should be re-oriented and the STOP signs left in place.

Unidentified resident stated that the STOP signs should stay. She added there is a lot of construction in the area and visibility is fine on the south end.

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Manager Rosland reminded everyone that the Traffic Safety Committee sets the policy and if STOP signs are removed, residents should be notified and the resident at 4640 Browndale should be notified if a STOP sign is added.

Member Kelly made a motion reversing the denial of the suggestion of the Traffic Safety Committee under Section B.5, and granting a directional change one-way south on Edgebrook Place and installation of a STOP sign at the south intersection of Edgebrook Place and Browndale Avenue. Member Hovland seconded the motion.

Ayes: Hovland, Kelly, Maetzold, Smith

Motion carried.

PRESENTATION BY EDINA SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT ON WMEP PROPOSAL FOR LEWIS ENGINEERING/KUNZ OIL SITE

Kenneth Dragseth, Edina Superintendent of School, introduced Doug Johnson, Terry Tofte and Laura Teuting-Nelson of his staff. Dr. Dragseth gave background into the West Metro Educational Program (WMEP) that had been requested by the Council. The WMEP concept began in 1989 in Minneapolis with five districts discussing metropolitan desegregation. The vision of WMEP is of the City and suburban districts sharing a mutual commitment to: 1) a racially-integrated metropolitan area, 2) equal educational opportunities for all children and 3) the enhancement of educational opportunities through the offering of interdistrict educational opportunities in integrated efforts.

Dr. Dragseth added the goals of WMEP are:

1. Create multicultural learning experiences for students and teachers throughout participating districts,
2. Create prototype schools that model interdistrict cooperation and collaboration,
3. Identify and share best practices for curriculum, instruction and assessment that are effective in supporting the achievement of all students and in closing the learning gaps, and
4. Explore and refine delivery system improvements.

History of site request for Edina is as follows:

- Edina, because of its location relative to other WMEP districts, has since the beginning of the project been perceived as an excellent location of a magnet school
- Land was available due to City actions, and was an ideal site
- School district met with the City in the spring to seek input on the site
- Went to the Legislature, Governor's office and the Commission of Education to seek State funding for the land
- In September the Edina School Board submitted a resolution formally requesting the City of Edina to designate the proposed property as a possible magnet school site until such time as WMEP and the City of Edina determine that the site is suitable for this use
- Architects looked at site for possible school and bus garage and shared information with the School District and the City
- In October, a Joint Powers Board of WMEP passed a resolution directing the representatives of the Edina Public Schools to negotiate on behalf of the West Metro Education Program for the purchase of the named property
- Request for Proposal for Southwest Magnet school distributed with target date of January 1 for program planner
- November - Presentation to City Council on this issue

Dr. Dragseth gave features of the WMEP School proposal:

- K-5 or K-6 Elementary School

- Program Determined by Districts
- Gym and Auditorium Space
- State of the Art Technology
- Easy Access to WMEP Districts
- Bus Traffic Impact Minimized
- Lab School Concept
- State Funded - Both Property and Building

The benefits of a WMEP school to Edina would be:

1. An opportunity for parents to have another choice for their children that entails more diversity
2. A learning lab would allow training of teachers and staff to work with the issues of diversity
3. Additional choice of the school from our community and close proximity for families; traveling outside the district would not be necessary
4. Utilization of the facility after hours would help relieve stress of gym and use of a theater in Edina
5. Provide a relief valve for increased enrollment in the Edina elementary schools with a minimum of slots guaranteed for our students
6. No additional cost to the district
7. Would respond to legislative and state issues in relation to diversity

Dr. Dragseth inquired whether the Council had enough information and if the School District should complete and submit a Request for Proposal. He elaborated that the School District would need to secure additional funding through the legislative process for the land and building construction. A planner would be examining the Edina site for a magnet school, and the School District would need to make a decision on the impact on the bus garage site as well.

Following a brief Council discussion, Dr. Dragseth was told the School District must submit a Request for Proposal to the City like all the other interested developers of the site.

***NEW OFF-SALE 3.2 MALT LIQUOR LICENSE FOR SUPER VALU, INC. DBA/CUB FOODS (6775 YORK AVENUE) APPROVED** Motion made by Member Maetzold and seconded by Member Kelly approving the new off-sale 3.2 malt liquor license for Super Valu, Inc. dba/Cub Foods at 6775 York Avenue.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - four ayes.

INCREASE IN 1998 BEER AND WINE LICENSE FEES APPROVED Manager Rosland reminded Council at the October 5, 1997, meeting, a hearing date was set to consider increasing beer and wine license fees for 1998. Public Hearing notices were mailed to all licensees on October 17, 1997, according to Minnesota Statute 340A.408, Subd. 3A. The proposed increase is to recover staff time expended in the issuance of the license and inspections by the Police Department.

No comment or correspondence has been received from current licensees.

Member Kelly made a motion approving beer and wine license fees effective January 1, 1998, as adopted by ordinance:

On-Sale Wine:

Restaurants with 50 or fewer seats	\$ 805.00
50 - 100 seats, inclusive	\$ 875.00
101-150 seats, inclusive	\$ 950.00

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Over 150 seats	\$1,015.00
Managers License:	\$ 75.00
On Sale 3.2 Beer:	
Renewal	\$ 245.00
New	\$ 310.00
Off-Sale 3.2 Beer:	
Renewal	\$ 245.00
New	\$ 310.00
Temporary 3.2 Beer License	\$ 55.00

Motion seconded by Member Maetzold.

Ayes: Hovland, Kelly, Maetzold, Smith

Motion carried.

*EDINA COMMUNITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS APPROVED Motion made by Member Maetzold and seconded by Member Kelly approving the appointments to the Edina Resource Center's Community Council on behalf of the Human Relations Commission: Kay Bach, Senior Center Position; and Edward Noonan, Business Position.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - four ayes.

*DECEMBER 15, 1997, DATE SET FOR SPECIAL JOINT MEETING WITH HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION Motion made by Member Maetzold and seconded by Member Kelly setting December 15, 1997, at 5:30 P.M. in the Manager's Conference Room as a Special Joint Meeting with the Human Relations Commission.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - four ayes.

*YEAR-END MEETING DATE SET FOR DECEMBER 29, 1997, AT 5:00 P.M. Motion made by Member Maetzold and seconded by Member Kelly setting December 29, 1997, at 5:00 P.M. as Year-End Meeting date for the Council.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - four ayes.

CLAIMS PAID Member Maetzold made a motion to approve payment of the following claims as shown in detail on the Check Register dated November 12, 1997, and consisting of 31 pages: General Fund \$243,254.33; C.D.B.G. \$8,510.00; Working Capital \$14,261.98; Art Center \$9,071.13; Golf Dome Fund \$9,272.30; Swimming Pool Fund \$2,195.39; Golf Course Fund \$22,191.18; Ice Arena Fund \$102,317.81; Edinborough/Centennial Lakes \$13,099.31; Utility Fund \$37,234.11; Storm Sewer Utility Fund \$3,475.29; Recycling Program \$433.95; Liquor Dispensary Fund \$230,458.04; Construction Fund \$103,995.20; Park Bond Fund \$143,615.29; I-494 Commission \$41.35; TOTAL \$943,426.66; and for confirmation of payment of the following claims as shown in detail on Check Register dated November 6, 1997, and consisting of three pages General Fund \$542,664.51; Golf Course fund \$98,080.37; Edinborough/Centennial Lakes \$652.60; Utility Fund \$183.68; Liquor Dispensary Fund \$68,171.10; Park Bond Fund \$227,163.49; I-494 Commission \$5,332.88; TOTAL \$942,248.63. Member Hovland seconded the motion.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Hovland, Kelly, Maetzold, Smith

Motion carried.

There being no further business on the Council Agenda, Mayor Smith declared the meeting closed at 11:45 P.M.

City Clerk